[Mr. R. Krishna Pillai.]

(*b*) Do they know that the Munsiffs in the Madras Presidency are mostly recruited from the District Court Bar, as the vakils who practise before the District Court are better acquainted with the details of work in the original court than High Court Vakils whose practice is confined to appellate work?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to draw the attention of the High Court to this matter and direct the High Court to recommend qualified members of the District Court Bar for filling future vacancies, as far as possible?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) (1) High Court Bar ... 15
(2) District Court Bar ... Nil.
(3) Clerical staff ... 14

(*b*) Government have no information.

(*c*) The High Court will be requested to consider the claims of qualified members of the mofussil Bar also, in connection with the recruitment of Munsiffs.

MR. J. JOHN NIDIRY (*Changanachery* cum *Minachil*): With regard to the answer to part (*b*), may I know whether the Government have made any enquiry into these facts?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Government have not made any enquiry.

MR. J. JOHN NIDIRY (*Changanachery* cum *Minchil*): May I know the reason why Government have not made any enquiry?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) There was no opportunity to enquire into that question.

Expenditure on Minor Irrigation Works.

259. MR. C. P. KOCHUKUNJU PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state the amount of money allotted for minor irrigation works in the State—

(i) for the years 1052, 1053, 1054, 1055 and 1056; and

(ii) for each of the past five years, as also for 1099?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(i) A statement * furnishing the information, as far as available, is laid on the table. The allotments for the years 1052-1056 are not known. In the statement the expenditure incurred during these years is furnished in lieu of the grants. Further, the figures include the expenditure on major irrigation works also, as the minor and major irrigation works were not in those years accounted for separately as is done now.

(ii) A statement† giving the information is laid on the table.

* *Vide* appendix VI A—page 920. † *Vide* appendix VI B—page 923.

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Appendix VI.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 259**

A

Statement of expenditure incurred by the P. W. D. under "works and repairs" for the years 1052 to 1056, on irrigation works.

Year.	Works.	Repairs.	Total.
1052	...	...	...
1053	15,587	1,06,583	1,22,170
1054	...	...	...
1055	60,097	38,849	98,946
1056	78,858	15,332	94,190

B

Statement showing the allotments made in the P. W. D. budgets under "works and repairs" for the years 1094 to 1099 for minor irrigation works.

1094	12,913	11,304	24,217
1095	27,165	12,252	39,417
1096	18,590	12,622	31,212
1097	55,490	13,022	68,512
1098	53,000	17,552	67.552
1099	98,230	15,870	1,14,100

Appendix VII.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 263.**

Statement showing the quantity of timber extracted by the Forest Department during the years 1094 to 1098.

Year.	Round logs. C. ft.	Sawn or axed. C. ft.	Total C. ft.	Percentage of increase or decrease	Remarks.
1094	3,12,908	98,095	4,11,003	...	
1095	5,55,401	1,69,477	7,24,878	76	Increase.
1096	7,31,897	2,82,012	10,13,909	39	Do.
1097	4,09,324	2,41,090	6,50,414	35	Decrease.
1098	3,33,128	2,61,335	5,94,463	8	Do.

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